U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20410-3000
COURSE ANNOUNCEMENT

Title: *Computer Matching Income Verification Discrepancy Resolution*

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

HUD is launching a new initiative under the Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) to help Public Housing Agencies, Owners, and Management Agents (POAs) detect and deter abuse of rental assistance programs. This initiative uses computer matching income verification (CMIV) to match Federal tax information to income data provided to HUD by POAs. REAC then issues discrepancy notifications to POAs alerting them that potential income discrepancies exist for certain tenants and asks POAs to determine if discrepancies are valid. POAs subsequently report their discrepancy resolution results to REAC. This information will help POAs detect abuses in rental assistance programs and will assist HUD in targeting areas for rental assistance program improvement. CMIV will also assist HUD to insure that eligible individuals or families have received rental assistance at the appropriate level.

To prepare POAs for their important role in CMIV discrepancy resolution, this training session is designed to provide POAs with a sufficient understanding of the process involved to accurately perform discrepancy resolution activities. The presentation of course material during the training session consists of a case study to illustrate the discrepancy resolution process. A taped video segment describes the Internet status reporting application, which POAs are required to use when reporting the results of their discrepancy resolution activities to REAC.

At the end of this training session, POA participants will be able to:

- Review initial discrepancy notifications from HUD;
- Resolve discrepancies; and
- Report status of resolution activities to REAC on a quarterly basis.

METHOD OF DELIVERY: Distance Learning

COURSE DATES: March 14, 2000
March 16, 2000
(POAs only need to attend one of the sessions)

COURSE TIME: 12:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time
(This course time applies for both sessions)

COURSE LOCATION:	HUD Local Offices, including Hub Offices and Program Centers, or via simulcast at http://www.hud.gov/webcasts/
SATELLITE COORDINATES:	C Band, Telstar 5, T5, Transponder Channel 20, 4100 MHz Horizontal, 97 Degrees West

TARGETED AUDIENCE AND WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This broadcast is primarily targeted toward Public Housing Agencies, Owners, and Management Agents (POAs) involved with the following HUD rental assistance programs: Public Housing, Section 8 Tenant-Based, Section 8 Project-Based, Rental Supplement, Rental Assistance Program, 202 and 811 Project Rental Assistance Contract and 202/162 Project Assistance Contract.

COURSE MATERIALS:

A draft of the POA Discrepancy Resolution Guide (POA Guide), which details the CMIV discrepancy resolution activities, will be posted on the REAC Web site. Although it is not required, participants are encouraged to review the POA Guide prior to attending this training session.

QUESTIONS:

Each training session will include a Question and Answer period for participants. The course presenters from the REAC Tenant Assessment Subsystem and a panel of representatives from the Office of Public and Indian Housing and the Office of Housing will be available to address participant questions.

People interested in attending this training should first contact the HUD Offices to verify space arrangements. Click here for local HUD office addresses and telephone numbers.

If you have technical questions pertaining to this training prior to the distance learning training session, you may contact Myra Newbill at 202-708-4932, extension 3211. If you have general administrative questions, you may contact Delton Nichols, the training consultant, at 202-708-4932, extension 3115.